



Ref: ATISN 19588

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Dear ,

ATISN 19588 – Area Planning Boards in Wales

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 16 May 2024 regarding Area Planning Boards (APBs). You requested the following:

- 1. Who are the members of all seven Welsh Area Planning Boards, and their employing organisation, position title on the APB, and lines of accountability.*
- 2. Who is responsible for Clinical Governance in third sector providers commissioned by the APB's in all seven localities.*

Our Response

1. Welsh Government does not hold specific information on members, their positions within the Area Planning Board (APB) or their respective lines of accountability within each of the 7 APBs. This information would need to be requested from each of the 7 APBs. We are able to provide contact details for each APB at Annex A.
2. In relation to responsibility for Clinical Governance each APB is expected, as outlined within the APB Guidance, to have a member who is able to advise on Clinical Governance issues on all services commissioned. Section 8.3 states: "The Local Health Board's clinical representative will have a role in making recommendations in relation to ensuring appropriate clinical governance arrangements have been put in place in respect to services commissioned by the APB".

Next steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex A

Area Planning Boards contacts details:

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